## BUSINESS MEETING

BEFORE THE

## CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

HEARING ROOM A

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

William Keese, Chairman

Robert A. Laurie

Michal C. Moore

Robert Pernell

Arthur Rosenfeld

STAFF PRESENT

Steve Larson

William Chamberlain

David Mundstock

Jeri Scott

Virginia Lew

Eileen Allen

PUBLIC ADVISER

Priscilla Ross

ALSO PRESENT

Gary S. Rubenstein, Sierra Research, for Calpine Corporation

Jeffery D. Harris, Attorney Ellison, Schneider and Harris for Calpine Corporation

Matthew T. Lamb City of Huntington Beach

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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	10:12 a.m.
3	CHAIRMAN KEESE: We'll call this
4	Business Meeting of the Energy Commission to
5	order.
6	Commissioner Rosenfeld, would you lead
7	us in the Pledge, please.
8	(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was
9	recited in unison.)
10	CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. As long as
11	we have lights we'll see how fast we can get done
12	with this today.
13	Consent calendar, and I will read item
14	2, the ownership change. Possible approval of an
15	ownership change of the High Desert Power Project,
16	LLC, to High Desert Power Trust, strike the
17	Limited.
18	Do I have a motion?
19	COMMISSIONER MOORE: Moved.
20	COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Second.
21	PRESIDING MEMBER ROSENFELD: Motion,
22	Commissioner Moore, second, Commissioner Pernell.
23	All in favor?
24	(Ayes.)
25	CHAIRMAN KEESE: Opposed? Adopted.

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                   Item 2, energy conservation assistance
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         act account. Possible approval of a $1 million
         loan to the County of Alameda for installation of
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         a 500 kW photovoltaic system at the Santa Rita
         Jail. This project is estimated to save the
         County about $124,000 in reduced electricity
         costs.
                   COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Mr. Chairman.
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                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: Commissioner Pernell.
                   COMMISSIONER PERNELL: This item came
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         before the Efficiency Committee and I'll just
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         state for the record this is not part of AB-970.
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         This is a loan that is repayable in 11 years. And
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         I would ask for approval. We have staff here to
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         answer any questions.
                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: Ms. Lew, this is a
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         photovoltaic array, is that what we're talking
         about?
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                   MS. LEW: Correct. This loan will be
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         used to supplement the cost of installing a 500 kW
         PV system, as well as installing various energy
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         efficient improvements to the cooling plant at the
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         Santa Rita Jail.
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                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: Is it a total project
         of $1 million, or are they putting --
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1 MS. LEW: The total project costs is \$4

- 2 million.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Four?
- 4 PRESIDING MEMBER LAURIE: Is 4 million.
- 5 And so the loan is only buying down about 25
- 6 percent of the cost.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. Do we have
- 8 a motion?
- 9 COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Yes. Mr.
- 10 Chairman, I move staff recommendation for item
- 11 number 2.
- 12 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: Second.
- 13 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Motion, Commissioner
- 14 Pernell. Second, Commissioner Rosenfeld. Any
- 15 other? All in favor?
- 16 (Ayes.)
- 17 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Opposed? Adopted five
- 18 to nothing.
- 19 Item 3, Los Medanos Energy Center
- 20 Project. Possible approval of a petition from the
- 21 Calpine Corporation to modify the Commission
- 22 Decision for the Los Medanos Energy Center
- 23 project. The petition contains a request to
- 24 maximize the generating capability of the project
- and add reliability to steam and power production,

1	among	other	things.

- 2 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Mr. Chairman, this
- 3 matter has been presented to the Siting Committee.
- The environmental aspects have been reviewed. I
- 5 would suggest a short report from Ms. Scott. And
- 6 then, as necessary, comments by interested
- 7 parties.
- 8 There will be a recommendation from the
- 9 Siting Committee.
- 10 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you.
- MS. SCOTT: Good morning. My name is
- Jeri Scott, and I'm the Compliance Project Manager
- for the Los Medanos Energy Center project.
- 14 This item contains a petition filed by
- the Calpine Corporation to amend the Commission
- 16 Decision for Los Medanos.
- 17 In an effort to maximize the generating
- 18 capability of Los Medanos and to add reliability
- 19 to steam and power production, Calpine is seeking
- 20 approval of the following:
- 21 Increase combustion turbine and heat
- 22 recovery steam generator, duct burner, fuel
- 23 consumption limits to reflect full load operation
- 24 at the minimum ambient air temperatures. Revise
- and increase air emission limits consistent with

1	new fuel consumption limits. Increase the size of
2	the auxiliary boiler from 266 to 320 million Btu
3	per hour. Also increase the size of the duct
4	burners; reduce the combustion turbine startup/
5	shutdown emission rates.
6	To provide fire protection capability
7	required by the insurance company a diesel-fired
8	pump will be added. And also to allow the plant
9	operators to shut the facility down in a
10	controlled manner in the event of a loss of
11	electricity power or a trip of the turbines. A
12	600 kW natural gas-fired emergency generator will
13	also be added.
14	Increased fuel consumption will cause an
15	increase in the daily and annual emission limits
16	of CO, NOx, POC, PM10 and SOx. However, Calpine
17	will fully mitigate for the increased emission
18	limits by providing emission reduction credits to
19	the Bay Area Air District.
20	This petition meets all the filing
21	criteria of 1769, regulations for post-
22	certification amendment changes.
23	Staff has completed their analysis and
24	determined that with the submission of the
25	emission reduction credits to the District,

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1	increasing the fuel consumption and the size of
2	the duct burners and the auxiliary boiler will not
3	cause a significant impact on the environment.

Staff has established a compliance mailing list. We updated that mailing list as part of this petition process. Staff distributed a notice of receipt, a copy of staff's draft analysis to the mailing list prior to the first workshop held in Pittsburg on November 30th. We did not receive any written comments on this petition.

However, staff did publish a final analysis on December 29th, incorporating the additional educational information requested at the first workshop, and our responses to the questions we received during that workshop.

We conducted a second workshop on this past Monday in the City of Pittsburg. And there will be no potential for significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed change.

The project will remain in compliance with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards subject to the provisions of the Public Resources Code section 25525.

The Bay Area Air District has approved

1	of Calpine's petition and plans to issue a revised
2	permit to operate following Commission's approval
3	of this petition.

The changes will benefit the project
owner and the public by providing Calpine the
means to operate a more efficient project and
provide additional electricity during peak demand
periods.

The changes will also enable Calpine to better meet the demands of their steam host, USS Posco. There has been a substantial change in circumstances resulting in information that was not available to the parties prior to the Commission certification.

The changes that Calpine purchased Los Medanos following the Commission certification, and therefore could not make these modifications during the siting process.

We recommend that the Commission adopt our findings and modify the language in the air quality conditions affected by this petition.

22 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Ms. Scott, say
23 again the status of the credits. Have the credits
24 been submitted?

25 MS. SCOTT: I don't think they've been

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1 submitted yet. Have they -- I don't think --
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- 2 MR. RUBENSTEIN: Gary Rubenstein from
- 3 Sierra Research on behalf of the applicant, Los
- 4 Medanos Energy Center.
- 5 The credits are in the possession of
- 6 Calpine Corporation. The Bay Area District does
- 7 not require them to be surrendered until the
- 8 permit is issued. But we have documented that we
- 9 do have the credits and we will be surrendering
- 10 them.
- 11 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Ms. Scott, do you
- 12 have any confirmation that such credits have, in
- fact, been obtained by Calpine? Has the applicant
- 14 provided any such confirmation to you?
- MS. SCOTT: No, they have not.
- 16 MR. RUBENSTEIN: If I may clarify that.
- We identified in the application the specific
- 18 certificate numbers held by Calpine Corporation
- 19 which would be surrendered upon issuance of
- 20 permit.
- 21 MS. SCOTT: Okay, we do have that. But
- 22 we have not -- yes, we do have that. That is part
- 23 of --
- 24 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Okay, well,
- obviously the basis for my question is that --

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         well, I don't think we have an express policy, but
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         normally we don't condition projects on the
         submittal of credits. Credits have to be either
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         in place or the District has to sign off. One of
         the two.
                   So, what do we have in this case? Do we
         have District sign-off?
                   MS. SCOTT: Excuse me, -- Guido.
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                   MR. RUBENSTEIN: Commissioner Laurie, if
         I might respond to that, I believe it's Commission
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         policy to require that prior to Commission
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         approval of any new project or any modification
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         that an applicant demonstrate that it has, in its
         possession, or has control over all credits. And
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         we believe we have done that in the application
         we've submitted both to the Commission Staff and
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18 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Well, okay, and
19 that's what I'm trying to get confirmation from
20 staff here.

to the Bay Area District.

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MS. SCOTT: Calpine did submit to us a statement stating that they did have control of these emission reduction credits. We are aware of that. Okay, but I personally am not aware of the numbers or whatever of these emission reduction

- 1 credits.
- 2 But they did submit that earlier in the
- 3 process. And we are aware that they do have them
- 4 in their control. But they have not been
- 5 submitted to the District.
- 6 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Mr. Harris, are
- 7 you in a position to represent that the offsets
- 8 you have under your control are sufficient to meet
- 9 the requirements of the District?
- MR. HARRIS: Yes, we are.
- 11 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: And that is your
- 12 representation?
- 13 MR. HARRIS: Yes, it is. And Gary
- 14 Rubenstein can probably provide some further
- elaboration, as well, as to the basis for that
- 16 representation.
- MR. RUBENSTEIN: Commissioner Laurie,
- I'm sorry I wasn't anticipating exactly this
- 19 question. The application that we submitted to
- 20 the Air District and the information we provided
- 21 to the Commission identified a series of several
- certificates owned by Calpine Corporation, which
- 23 contained more than enough credits to cover the
- 24 small increase associated with this modification.
- 25 And in a subsequent letter to the

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1 Commission and to the District, we identified the
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- 2 specific certificates that would be used.
- But, yes, I can state unequivocally that
- 4 Calpine has all the credits in its possession.
- 5 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Okay, Mr.
- 6 Rubenstein, thank you.
- 7 COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Mr. Chairman.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Commissioner Pernell.
- 9 We're on staff presentation right here, and then
- 10 we'll move to Calpine. Commissioner Pernell.
- 11 COMMISSIONER PERNELL: If I might follow
- 12 up on Commissioner Laurie's questions, simply a
- 13 letter indicating that you have some credits in
- 14 your possession, is that the criteria we're
- 15 looking for? Or do we need some type of certified
- 16 letter, or something that specifically says that
- 17 you have credits that you're going to use for this
- 18 project?
- In staff defense, simply receiving a
- 20 letter saying that I have all of these credits and
- some of them will be used, I don't think is
- justification for having them -- I don't think
- that's justification for us accepting the fact
- 24 that you have these credits and they're going to
- 25 be used for the purpose that staff is indicating.

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                   All I'm looking for here is something
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         that directly points to the credits, and that they
         will be used for the project.
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                   MR. HARRIS: Again, I'm going to ask Mr.
         Rubenstein to elaborate. Basically there's a
         typical process that's followed in these
         circumstances by the Commission. We're in that --
                   COMMISSIONER PERNELL: I'm sorry, I
         can't --
                   MR. HARRIS: --typical process, and I'd
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         like Gary to document that for you so you know
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         we're hitting the milestones.
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                   MR. RUBENSTEIN: Commissioner Pernell,
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         the standard process that this Commission applies
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         to projects, both new projects and to amendments,
         is, as I said earlier, to require that applicants
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         clearly identify which certificates will be used
         to provide emission credits for a project, and to
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         demonstrate to the agencies, to the Commission
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         Staff and to the Air District, that those credits
         are within the company's control.
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         this particular case it's actually very simple
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         because the certificates that are used are coming
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2 In the application that we filed with the Commission and with the Air District, we 3 identified banking certificate number 629, which is already registered in Calpine's name, as being the source of these credits. There was a subsequent letter, I believe, which may have changed that certificate 8 9 number from one certificate owned by Calpine to another. I'm sorry I don't have that letter with 10 me, but I know it's in the staff's records. 11 12 But, in any event, there's a clear 13 identification of the certificate. That certificate is being held currently by Calpine 14 15 Corporation. That information is verifiable on

a registry.

So I believe we have satisfied all of
the Commission's requirements necessary to show
that we have the credits for this project.

the Bay Area District's website where they contain

21 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. Okay, is 22 staff --

MR. MUNDSTOCK: Just to follow up on that, if you look at the air analysis that staff provided, the air quality analysis by Guido

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1 Franco, at page 25 it specifically lists the
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- 2 certificates that the applicant originally
- 3 submitted and will provide as offsets for this
- 4 amendment.
- 5 So this has never been a question.
- 6 There is no issue here. They have the offsets.
- 7 They identified the offsets. They will provide
- 8 the offsets.
- 9 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you, I think that
- 10 takes care of that.
- 11 Staff, are you done with your
- 12 presentation on the project?
- MS. SCOTT: Yes.
- 14 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Okay. Mr. Harris.
- MR. HARRIS: Just a couple of things. I
- think we've hit the main issues. Number one, I'll
- 17 say two things, number one, we absolutely concur
- 18 with the staff's findings regarding the impacts of
- 19 the amendment.
- 20 And the second thing that I'll say is
- 21 that I just want to thank the staff, the Bay Area
- 22 District Staff and the folks that participated in
- 23 the process in Pittsburg. And I think with that
- I'll make ourselves available for questions.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Do we have any

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- 2 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Yes, I have a
- 3 question. Ms. Scott, is it your recommendation
- 4 that the amendment be approved conditioned upon
- 5 the submittal of sufficient credits to satisfy the
- 6 needs of the District?
- 7 MS. SCOTT: Yes. In staff's testimony
- 8 on page 116, AQ-50 --
- 9 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: No, I don't know
- 10 what you're --
- MS. SCOTT: Okay, well, then, yes, we
- 12 recommend submission of the emission reduction
- 13 credits.
- 14 MR. MUNDSTOCK: Commissioner, it's in
- 15 the conditions of certification as amended, so
- 16 that if you adopt the amendment you are adopting
- 17 the requirement that the offsets be submitted as
- 18 specified --
- 19 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Okay, point to me
- 20 the page number of this specific --
- 21 MR. MUNDSTOCK: In your packet --
- MS. SCOTT: AO-50.
- MR. MUNDSTOCK: -- air quality, there's
- 24 several air quality conditions --
- 25 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Correct.

1	MR. MUNDSTOCK: that deal with offse
2	requirements. Now, I may not hit every single on
3	of them, but the first ones I find are air qualit
4	condition 11, air quality condition 12, that star
5	listing the offset requirements. And I'm sure th
6	applicant or our air quality witness could hit
7	more of them.
8	But they're very specific as to the
9	offsets that have to be provided. And that's how
10	every air quality condition is always written at
11	the Commission, whether part of an AFC or part of
12	an amendment.
13	MR. RUBENSTEIN: If I might,
14	Commissioner Laurie, the condition that you're
15	looking for are condition AQ-49, as amended, as

that is on page 116, as Ms. Scott was indicating,

of the staff's air quality report.

That condition requires that prior to

issuance of a revised authority to construct for

the facility the applicant must demonstrate that

21 they hold the certificates in their possession.

We believe we've made that demonstration already.

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23 The second requirement is in condition 24 AQ-50 immediately following.

25 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Okay, thank you,

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that's what I'm looking for. I was looking for
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- 2 AQ-49. That's what I wanted.
- 3 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. Do I have a
- 4 motion?
- 5 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Mr. Chairman, I
- 6 would move the recommendation of staff based upon
- 7 the revised conditions of certification, and based
- 8 further on the findings proposed by staff which
- 9 provides a foundation for the modification,
- 10 indicating that in light of the modification to
- 11 the conditions that there is no negative impact on
- 12 the environment.
- 13 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Motion by Commissioner
- 14 Laurie.
- 15 COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Second.
- 16 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Second by Commissioner
- 17 Pernell. Any further comment? Any public comment
- 18 on this?
- Seeing none, all in favor?
- 20 (Ayes.)
- 21 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Opposed? Adopted five
- to nothing.
- 23 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Thank you,
- gentleman; thank you, Jeri.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Item 4, Los Medanos

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- 2 Committee assignment. Any volunteers?
- 3 Seeing none I'll entertain a motion that
- 4 Commissioner Moore preside in this case, and
- 5 Commissioner Keese will be the --
- 6 COMMISSIONER LAURIE: So moved.
- 7 COMMISSIONER PERNELL: Second.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Moved by Commissioner
- 9 Laurie, second by Commissioner Pernell.
- 10 MR. HARRIS: Question from the
- 11 applicant, if we could.
- 12 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Okay, the applicant may
- 13 ask a question.
- 14 MR. HARRIS: This is my first experience
- with the assignment of a Committee for an
- 16 amendment. And I wanted to say a couple words
- 17 about that, if I could.
- 18 We obviously don't object if that's the
- 19 Commission's desire. I guess my major concern is
- 20 about schedule and about process. And could
- 21 somebody explain to me, I guess, a little bit more
- about what you're envisioning the Committee doing,
- 23 since I've never been familiar with this
- 24 particular recommendation.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Commissioner Laurie, do

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         you have --
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                   COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Yes, I would
         suggest Mr. Harris meet with staff. He can
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         probably get an answer more quickly.
                   The Committee will review the work by
         staff and probably conduct -- well, I --
                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: It would be --
                   COMMISSIONER LAURIE: Commissioner Moore
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         is going to be Presiding Member. As far as
         standard procedure, I suggest you talk to staff.
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                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: I'm not sure there is a
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         standard procedure for where we're going here. I
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         think this issue goes beyond what staff is
         comfortable with doing without a Committee. I'm
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         sure it will be a very, as expedited a process as
         we can make it, is that correct?
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                   MR. HARRIS: My question arises in part
         because I think the recommendation for a Committee
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         was based in part upon the City of Pittsburg's
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         interaction. And since that recommendation we've
         reached an agreement with the City of Pittsburg as
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         both the land owner and the --
                   CHAIRMAN KEESE: I believe that should
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MR. HARRIS: Okay, that's fine.

expedite this process.

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- believe this can be an expedited process.
- MR. HARRIS: Okay, thank you.
- 4 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. Okay, we
- 5 have a motion and a second on appointing a
- 6 Committee.
- 7 All in favor?
- 8 (Ayes.)
- 9 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Opposed? Adopted five
- 10 to nothing. Thank you.
- 11 Item 5, Huntington Beach Generating
- 12 Station Retool Project. Possible approval of the
- 13 Executive Director's data adequacy recommendation
- 14 for the Huntington Beach Generating Station retool
- project application for certification.
- Ms. Allen.
- MS. ALLEN: Good morning. I'm Eileen
- 18 Allen, the Staff Project Manager for the
- 19 Huntington Beach project.
- 20 Staff received a data adequacy
- 21 supplement for the Huntington Beach project on
- 22 Friday afternoon. This supplement was accompanied
- 23 by a letter in which the applicant, AES, requested
- the six-month expedited process.
- 25 Staff has begun reviewing the materials

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1 submitted on Friday afternoon. The AFC is now
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- 2 adequate for 15 of 23 areas. Our review for the
- 3 remaining areas is still in progress.
- 4 Although the AFC is not yet adequate, in
- 5 the spirit of the expedited review process, staff
- 6 has begun to prepare data requests for the
- 7 information it still needs.
- 8 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. So, you're
- 9 recommending that we find it data inadequate and
- 10 put it over for another two weeks, is that --
- MS. ALLEN: Yes, I am.
- 12 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Is that the
- 13 recommendation?
- MS. ALLEN: Yes.
- 15 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Counsel, do we have to
- 16 make a finding here? I believe we made a finding
- 17 last week.
- 18 MR. CHAMBERLAIN: Yes, my only question
- 19 is whether basically we're recommending that all
- 20 the same categories are still completely
- inadequate, or whether the new submission has
- 22 modified the categories that are inadequate.
- 23 CHAIRMAN KEESE: I heard that many more
- 24 categories were adequate now, but they haven't
- completed all the categories, that's what the

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1 report was.
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- 2 So I believe we can just put this over
- 3 for two weeks, correct, counsel? We made a
- 4 finding two weeks ago.
- 5 MR. CHAMBERLAIN: Yes, I believe so.
- 6 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you. We'll put
- 7 this item over, then. Do we have any further
- 8 questions from members of the Commission? The
- 9 item's over for two weeks.
- 10 Mr. Lamb is here from the City of
- 11 Huntington Beach. Would you like to comment, --
- MR. LAMB: Yes. I do appreciate the --
- 13 CHAIRMAN KEESE: -- recognizing we're
- 14 going to put this over?
- 15 MR. LAMB: Yes, I do. I just wanted to
- 16 take a couple minutes. First of all, I want to
- 17 thank you for the opportunity to speak with you
- 18 this morning.
- 19 My name is Matt Lamb; I'm the Project
- 20 Manager that's working with staff on the AES
- 21 application.
- The City of Huntington Beach, as well as
- 23 the rest of the state, is keenly aware of the
- 24 electrical power crisis that the state is facing.
- 25 The City is concerned, though, that we're getting

1	more information and research which gives
2	increasing credence to the connection between the
3	AES heated outfall and the interaction between the
4	Sanitation District outfall.
5	Basically the AES retool project, as
6	stated in their application, will more than double
7	the heated outfall. And AES' current application
8	is also based upon a thermal study which was
9	completed by SCE in 1972.
10	Further, the City of Huntington Beach
11	was impacted by AB bill 411, which came into
12	effect in July 1999. And as you may or may not be
13	aware of, the City of Huntington Beach, during
14	1999, had significant beach and water closures
15	which significantly impacted our economy.
16	Our concern is that as we move through
17	this process that as we look at this project that

Our concern is that as we move through this process that as we look at this project that that issue, the water resources issue, certainly for the City of Huntington Beach, is a key issue for us.

As a local economy we have over 9
million visitors annually. The City of Huntington
Beach is known as surf city. And we're looking
for both the Commission and Staff to take this
issue as one of our number one issues. And as you

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go through this process, to make sure that this project is mitigated properly, not only in this area, of course, but in other areas.
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But this is our number one issue and we'd like to present that to you to make sure that as you go through this process and -- we are aware that there is a bill currently on the floor that's being proposed by Assemblyman Wright, which is going to give permission to start construction prior -- if it's passed and brought to the floor, to start construction prior to this process being completed.

So that is why we're here today, to make sure that you, as Commissioners, give a balanced approach, which we certainly expect and know that you will do that.

I appreciate the time to speak with you, but that is our issue, and it's a real serious issue. We're not trying to be naysayers in any way, shape or form. We're working concurrently with staff being a very positive influence as much as we can.

But you can't have one project also and devastate a local economy. You know, we are a visitor-serving destination. And I think all of

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1 you are aware of that.
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- 2 We thank you for the opportunity to
- 3 speak, and we'll continue to work with staff. I'd
- 4 like to take the opportunity to thank staff for
- 5 working with us, and if there's any questions I
- 6 can answer, I certainly will.
- 7 CHAIRMAN KEESE: Thank you very much for
- 8 bringing this to our attention. Those of us who
- 9 read The L.A. Times this morning had it brought to
- 10 our attention, also.
- 11 Any further questions here? Thank you.
- 12 That will be taken up on February 7.
- 13 Item 6, then is over.
- 14 Item 7 will be put over also until
- 15 February 7.
- 16 Item 8 will be put over until February
- 17 7.
- We have no minutes.
- Do we have any Committee oversight?
- 20 Chief Counsel's report.
- MR. CHAMBERLAIN: Yes, Mr. Chairman.
- Mr. Chairman, I need a brief, closed session to
- 23 discuss a couple of litigation matters. That's
- 24 all.
- 25 CHAIRMAN KEESE: We will have an

1	executive session to discuss legal matters as soon
2	as we're done here.
3	Executive Director's report.
4	MR. LARSON: Nothing to report.
5	CHAIRMAN KEESE: Public Adviser's
6	report.
7	MS. ROSS: Nothing to report.
8	CHAIRMAN KEESE: Do we have any public
9	comment?
10	Seeing none, this meeting is adjourned,
11	subject to executive session in my office in three
12	minutes.
13	Thank you.
14	(Whereupon, at 10:33 a.m., the business
15	meeting was adjourned.)
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